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Inspection in second year after being packed, are still more clearly in favor of New York cure. The third inspection after being packed three years, is decidedly in favor of New York salt on every request.

Result of the inspection Aug. 26, three years after packing, as reported by the officers at Key West, Florida:

PORK PACKED WITH NEW YORK SALT.

Firmer than usual contract pork. No separation of fat and lean. A little reddish brown. Very fair by appearance. Fat very white. Sweeter than usual. Medium grain. Lean is boiling not quite so tender as fat. After Boil, 30.—Pork—sweet—good color. More appetizing to the eye than usual contract pork. Rare condition for the best pork ever had at this post.

PORK PACKED WITH OTHER ISLAND SALTS.

Pork rather soft. Bright red—splendid. Very often quite moist on opening. Sour before and after boiling. Loses in boiling over 30 per cent.

After Boiling.—Soft—sour—greenish. Fat and lean combined to separate. Not good pork.

Fort Moultrie, South Carolina, at same date, the Board of Examiners decided that pork packed with New York salt was superior—better color, firmer and sweeter than the other. Same after boiling.

The increase in our shipments over the past year is over 100,000 barrels. During the year a slight reduction has been made on the tariff for salt on scaks of the railroads leading West, and this has, doubtless, contributed towards the increase. As the whole valley of the Mississippi is now open to us, railroad companies and canal trustees will find it for their interest to make the freight on all such articles of trade as come in competition with St. Louis, as low as possible.

The low rates of freight on the lakes during the past year, has contributed much towards the income in our receipts. During the past year, 150,000 bushels salt have been shipped from Buffalo, and 4,500,000 bushels from Oswego. The following table shows the rates of freight on salt from Oswego and Buffalo to Chicago, during the past two seasons:

Rates of Freight on Salt from Oswego and Buffalo to Chicago for Two Years.

	1857. From Oswego.	1857. From Buff.	1858. From Oswego.	1858. From Buff.
April 1				0.06
15				0.12
May 1				0.15@
June 10				0.12
20	0.35			0.09
30				0.06@
July 14			Ballast.	0.07
Aug. 25	0.20			0.08
31	0.15			0.04
Sept. 4	0.20			0.06
15	0.25	0.09		0.08
Nov'r 1	0.30	0.10		0.10
7				0.15

The toll on the New York Canals for salt is only 1c per bbl. to Oswego, and 6c to Buffalo. As New York State owns the Salt Springs of Syracuse, it is its undoubted interest to lower the tolls on the canals so as to enable dealers to bring salt from Buffalo to that port at lower rates than is generally rule when brought through the Welland Canal.

The following table shows the prices of salt in Chicago for four years:

Prices of Salt in Chicago for a series of Years.

	1855. From	1855. Quan.	1857. From	1857. Quan.	1858. From	1858. Quan.
Jan.	$1.75@2.00	1,000	$2.00	500	$1.90	2,000
Feb.	1.90@1.95	2,000	2.00@2.50	11	1.90	1,000
March	1.90@1.95	1,000	2.00@2.50	11	1.90	1,000
April	1.90@2.00	1,000	2.00@2.50	11	1.90@2.00	1,000
May	1.90@2.00	1,000	1.90@2.10	11	1.90@2.00	1,000

The following table shows the prices of salt in Chicago on the 1st of each month during the past three years:

Prices of Salt for Three Years.

	1856. From	1856. Quan.	1857. From	1857. Quan.	1858. From	1858. Quan.
Jan.	1.75@ 2.00	0.15@	1.90	2.00@	1.90	2.00
Feb.	1.75@ 2.00	0.15@	1.90	2.00@	1.90	2.00
March	1.90@ 2.00	0.15@	2.00	2.00@	1.90	2.00
April	1.90@ 2.00	0.15@	2.00	2.00@	1.90	2.00
May	1.15@ 1.25	0.15@	2.00	2.00@	1.90	2.00
June	1.25@ 1.50	0.15@	2.00	2.00@	1.90	2.00
July	1.50	0.15	2.25	2.50	1.90	1.90
August	1.50	0.15	1.75@ 2.25	2.50	1.90	1.90
Sept.	1.50	0.15	1.90	1.90	1.90	1.90
October	1.50	0.15	1.90	1.90	1.90	1.90
Nov.	1.50	0.15	1.90	1.90	1.90	1.90
Dec.	1.50	0.15	1.90	1.90	1.90	1.90

GROCERIES.

Sugar, Molasses and Coffee.

On account of a want of classification in the various articles of merchandise in bills of lading as entered at the Custom House, it has been impossible to find out the amount of sugar, molasses and coffee, which has arrived thro in previous years. This year, however, we have obtained a statement from the various transportation companies of the amount they brought to this port by lake during the year 1858, which, along with the imports by canal and railways we give in a table below.

As the classification of the above items is not known among our railroad companies, we are unable to give the amount shipped. We have seen figures, however, sufficient to justify us in the statement that Chicago has during the past year become a formidable rival to St. Louis in all the river towns on the Mississippi above St. Louis, and also throughout Iowa, wherever the lines of railroad lead.

The following is the table referred to above:

Receipts of Groceries for the Year 1858.

	Sugar. Hhds.	Sugar. Bbls.	Molasses. Bbls.	Coffee. Sacks.
Lake	4,096	13,645	143	2,320
Canal	1,000			30,000
R. Road	3,500	4,154	2,461	
C. A. & S. L. R.		2,000	2,000	2,000
	13,231	19,799	143	11,961	36,320

GRASS SEED.

The receipts of grass seed during the past year exceed those of 1857 by 1,545,973 lbs., and the shipments about the same. The crop of timothy during the past year was large and of good quality; but there has been a great scarcity of clover.

The market for timothy opened in January 1858, at $1.50@1.75 per bushel; but declined during the course of the month to $1.50@1.62½. In February, however, there was a better demand, and prices advanced to $1.62½@1.75, at which they remained from till about the middle of March, when it fell again to $1.50@1.62½—declined rapidly till the end of the month and closed at $1.30@1.37½. In April the market declined to $1.25@1.30, and few prime lots $1.37½. In May there was very little done, and the market was nominal and quiet at $1.25@1.50, at which it remained until September, when the market opened at $1.30@1.40 per bushel—closing at $1.45@1.50. In October the market became buoyant, and advanced almost daily till the end of the month, when it closed at $1.65@1.75. During the first twelve or fourteen days in November, the market advanced to $1.85, but declined in the latter part of the month to $1.50. In December, however, the market revived under light receipts and a good demand to $1.80@1.85, at which the market closed.

There has been little or no clover seed, in the market during the past fall. A few choice parcels were sold at $5.25.

The following tables show the receipts and shipments of grass seed during the past four years, with the sources of supply and the routes by which it was exported:

Receipts of Grass Seed for Four Years.

	1855.	1856.	1857.	1858.
By Lake, bs	7,000	50,000	2,000	23,100
Canal	1,000,000	1,000,000	1,000,000	1,000,000
Galena R. R.	1,245,774	2,174,200	1,245,000	1,500,000
Mich. C. R. R.	4,000	8,000	2,000	2,000
Mich. S. R. R.	8,000	8,000	2,000	2,000
C. A. & S. L. R.	2,000	2,000	2,000	2,000
Rock Island R. R.	10,000	28,000	2,000	20,000
Chicago & Mil. R. R.	10,000		2,000	2,000
C. & R. I. R. R.			2,000	2,000
Total	2,286,774	3,270,200	2,259,000	3,553,100

Shipments of Grass Seed by Four Years.

	1855.	1856.	1857.	1858.
By Lake, bs	2,000	50,000	2,000	23,100
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Shipments of Grass Seed by Lake for Seven Years.

	1852.	1853.	1854.	1855.	1856.	1857.	1858.
To Buffalo	20,000	20,000	20,000	20,000	20,000	20,000	20,000
Ports E. of Buffalo	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
Ports on Lake Erie	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
Ports on Lake Huron	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
Ports on Lake Michigan	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
Total	24,000	24,000	24,000	24,000	24,000	24,000	24,000

LUMBER.

The lumber trade during the past year has been very much depressed. The heavy failures of 1857, being followed by a general stagnation of business, owing to the monetary crisis, left us on the 1st of January last with an immense stock on hand, and very little demand either from the interior or by the city. In the month of February, however, dealers saw the necessity of reducing the prices of lumber, and from that time up to the close of the year, enormous sales have been made at $8@9 per thousand feet. The manufacturers, however, did not receive more than one-third of the amount named in 1857, who turned out during 1858. Nor indeed could they have done so with any advantage or profit to themselves, even had they cut the logs; for, at the prices which ruled here, unless the mills were very economically run, manufacturers could scarcely clear expenses. As will be seen from the tables which follow, the receipts during 1858 were 186,618,982 feet less than they were in 1857.

The shipments of lumber, however, have come up pretty well—amounting to 342,782,845 feet, against 311,808,780 in 1857. The low prices of lumber, notwithstanding the general depression in business encouraged improvements all over the West, and during the summer months the export demand was quite active.

The receipts of lath shows a falling off of over thirty-five million pieces; while the receipts of shingles show a falling off of only 4,267,250.

The Board of Lumbermen commenced their session this morning, and will continue in session for a month since to take the stock of lumber on hand; but up to the 20th of December, they had only received returns from about one-half of the dealers. The figures they collected, would seem to indicate that the stock will amount to about 100,000,000 feet against 171,000,000 feet in December, 1857. This is a light stock for Chicago; and should the present demand continue, better times may be expected

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Re-Election of Senator Douglas.

Mr. Douglas was re-elected yesterday as Senator from Illinois for the term of six years from March 4th, 1859. The vote in Joint Convention stood, 54 for Douglas; 46 for Lincoln. The Democracy made as much fuss over it as though the event had been dubious and unexpected. Mr. Dean now finish his wanderings, take his seat and uncork his vials of wrath.

Progress of the Kansas Excitement.

A dispatch from St. Louis informs us that Hamilton, the ringleader of the Marais des Cygnes massacre, has taken the field again with his gang of desperadoes, killed one Free State man, and burned and plundered the house of another. It is reported also that Montgomery is getting in readiness to meet him. We trust this latter may be true.

The Lawrence *Republican* of Dec. 23d has late intelligence from the Southern part of the Territory. It appears that the attack on Fort Scott was made for the sole purpose of releasing Ben Rice, who was unlawfully seized and held for alleged offences committed prior to the Denver amnesty. After the release was effected, a young man named Little, a son of Dr. Blake Little of the Lecompton Convention, came out and fired two shots at Montgomery's men, both of which took effect though not mortally. He was in the act of firing again when a shot from the Free State party put an end to his life.

Foreign Immigration—Memorial to the Legislature.

The following Memorial to the State Legislature is being extensively signed by leading citizens of this place:

To the Legislature of Illinois relative to Foreign Immigration to Illinois:

We, the undersigned citizens, property owners and tax-payers of Chicago in the County of Cook, appreciating the vast importance to our own State and city of a steady and healthy flow of foreign population, and fearing that however the urgent necessity that exists for a speedy and efficient reform in the system which is at present pursued in regard to the ship of receiving and forwarding foreign immigrants arriving at this point, would respectfully but strongly urge upon your honorable body an alterative consideration of the subject, in all its bearings, with a view to its proper adjustment and control.

Chicago, Jan. 7, 1859.

Two Mill Tax Distribution.

[From the State Journal, 4th.]

We are indebted to the Hon. James K. Dubois, Auditor, for the following statement of the distribution of the fund on the 1st inst., from the proceeds of the Two Mill Constitutional Tax:

Total amount of tax distributed	$734,650 00
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Total amount of funds	$734,650 00
Amount of stocks presented	31,976 00
	$702,674 00

Accordingly there is now on balance in the Treasury of $734,650,000, over and above the amount of indebtedness presented. The following table shows the distribution of the proceeds of all similar taxes for five years past:

1854—Amount of tax distributed	$40,000
Amount of interest received	1,200
Amount of tax distributed	1,200

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Information of the State of the Union.

What a Christian example some people do set to the world, by omitting to provoke other people to dissolve the Union! Hardly less patriotic and self-renouncing are they than those other people who restrain themselves from hurling the proud fabric of American Freedom to eternal smash. If these deplorable virtues could be compounded and interfused in the persons of one people or on one section of our beloved land, the result would be something quite bordering on the millennial. The statesmen looks forward to it with enthusiasm, the scholar contemplates, with rapture, the Christian wrestles in secret for its consummation at no distant day.

The city of New York has lately been yielded by three distinguished politicians, about whose qualifications for the Presidency of this Republic there is a good deal of whispering in odd corners. New York introduces them to the Union; and as the *Herald* of that city justly remarks, the people of the metropolis have shown such discrimination in the selection of the governing heads of their own city, that the slightest indication of their preference for a particular candidate for the Presidency would be responded to admiringly by all sections of the country. The Presidential trio consisted of Messrs. Orr, of South Carolina, Houston, of Texas, and Douglas, of Illinois. The Texas Senator, whether restrained by ill health or good taste, made himself an example of the motto that speech is silver, but silence is golden—he said nothing, kept out of crowds, and behaved himself like an independent American citizen. The others however, went through with no end of complimenting, receiving, hand-shaking, etc., concluding with speeches in which the Union was fondly cherished and affectionately preserved. The Honorable gentleman from South Carolina adverted to the fact "no portion of our Union is more deeply interested in the preservation of our Union than the city of New York," and alluded feelingly to the New York conservatism which buries itself in holding the Union up. This is the delicate and knightly way of suggesting that New York never embarks in projects for dissolving the Union itself, and seldom adds to the provocation felt in South Carolina to dissolve it. The Honorable gentleman from Illinois in like manner congratulated the world of New York City on its fidelity to the Union, as instanced in its regular support of the pro-slavery ticket. Of course he did not put in those vulgar terms, but it is noticed our Senator never compliments any community as being "loyal to the Constitution and the Union," unless it can show a tolerably straight record of pro-slavery majorities.

In the absence of anything profitable or lively, these venerable commonplaces might have served Messrs. Orr and Douglas, as well as remarks on the weather, or observations on the general health. If they were further the insidious designs of those friends of theirs who keep mutting them forward for the Presidency, their allusions to the prospect, actual, *bona fide* entity of the Union, to which New York has so nobly contributed, were as much a matter of course as the "Good Lord deliver us" of the Prayer Book. But, on any other hypothesis, they partook much of the solemn character of Touchstone's lecture to the clown—"Thou art in a parlous state, shepherd." But let us be thankful for all the information we can get, these dull times, of the state of the Union. The Constitution guarantees us a fair supply, at stated intervals, from the President of the United States. At the same time, it does not inhibit Speaker Orr and Senator Douglas from adding to the stock, on regular or irregular occasions. We cannot have too much of a good thing.

"The Bottom Falling Out."

Some days ago we copied an extract from the Philadelphia *North American*, in which the West was spoken of generally as laboring under the most serious pecuniary embarrassments, while Chicago promised quickest relief. This is odd, that a vessel is in when its "bottom has fallen out." How much of her bottom has fallen out the statistics of her commerce for the last year, published in the PRESS AND TRIBUNE on the 1st inst., very fully show. A facetious friend of ours, formerly from Philadelphia, and well acquainted with the editor of the *American*, forwarded to the address of that gentleman a copy of this paper containing said statistics, intriguing upon the post-office laws to the extent of writing upon its margin, "*Part of the bottom which has fallen out of Chicago during the year 1858.*" In due time we expect to have another chapter of commiseration and sympathy from our Philadelphia cotemporary.

But meanwhile the sympathy must not be all on one side. We have some bowels of compassion ourselves, and they yearn just now most intensely over the unhappy condition of Philadelphia. Her distress is in truly desperate straits, and bankruptcy stares a majority of them in the face. Philadelphia is not "to let," but she is "for sale." We learn this fact from the *American* itself. An issue of that paper some two weeks ago came to us almost entirely filled with Sheriff's advertisements, for the sale of real estate, under execution. So numerous indeed were these advertisements, that the *American*, one of the largest sheets in the United States, was compelled to issue a supplement to get them all in. Yesterday, we received another double issue of this mammoth sheet. On opening the supplement we found one page and a half devoted to Sheriff's advertisements, and the rest taken up with a list of delinquent tax-payers whose property is to be sold for taxes. Of the latter there are some 12,800. These are heads of families, and they represent a population of about 90,000. Only think of it —90,000 people in Philadelphia unable to pay their taxes, to say nothing of the large number of equally distressed citizens who are fast in the clutches of the Sheriff on account of their private indebtedness! If this is not a state of facts calculated to call out the most active sympathies of Christian people, we confess ourselves incompetent to determine what should. We are sorry for Philadelphia! We mourn and lament for Philadelphia! We grieve over the unhappy condition of Philadelphia! Alas! too, for Ar—"bottom"! Should any of our citizens, moved by the calamities that have befallen the people of a sister city, conclude to rush to their relief, we advise them not to purchase property at Sheriff's sale without first consulting the delinquent list to see if it is not also under extension for taxes.

Taxation in St. Louis—Organized Resistance to the County Court.

On Thursday last a "Taxpayers' Convention," according to the St. Louis *Democrat*, gathered at the Court House in that city, to consider the enormous tax levy ordered by the County Court for the ensuing year. Louis A. LeBaume was called to the chair, after which speeches were made by Gen. R. Graix Brown and others. Both these speakers recommended an effort through the Legislature to procure the repeal of the County Court's authority to levy taxes, or the abolition of the Court itself. Mr. Brown said the Court had levied a tax of "hundreds of thousands of dollars more than they could use."

A series of resolutions were adopted, to the following purport: That the levy of a special tax by the County Court this year is wholly illegal and void, and the aggregate levied for ordinary expenses extortionate and excessive; for that a committee of five persons be appointed to prepare a full exhibit of the items of public expenditure of the County of St. Louis; that a committee of one hundred citizens be appointed to circulate petitions to the Legislature, setting forth the wishes of the people in the premises; that the present County Court should be abolished; and that, if in the opinion of the Legislature, the law under which the present special tax is levied is not already repealed, then the Legislature should repeal the same forthwith. The resolutions were unanimously adopted.

The *Republican* muses at the whole movement and charges it with being a "Black Republican *coup d'état*."

Ohio Finances.

We learn from the Message of Gov. Chase that the total receipts into the Treasury of the State of Ohio during the last year were $1,730,771 67, and the total disbursements, $1,823,602 62, leaving a balance in the Treasury of $276,119 16. The total valuation of taxable real estate is $630,265,; total valuation of other property, $210,422,; total valuation of all property, $840,687,; total levy for State purposes, $1,940,128; school fund, $1,940,128; ordinary purposes, $2,880,256; interest, $1,440,128; total, $6,260,512.

The aggregate county debt, of all descriptions, on the 1st day of January, 1858, was $3,000,000. The total amount of bonds issued during the year, for which the Auditor has furnished blanks to make certificate payable, [illegible]

The New Gold Fields—Old Routes and New.

It is now admitted that rich gold deposits exist on the head waters of the Platte, and there can be no doubt that a large emigration, second only to the great California movement, is soon to spread itself over the beautiful and fertile slopes on the eastern side of the Rocky Mountains. In advance of this movement we feel it important to give our readers all the information at our command, so that the thousands who will in a few weeks take up their line of march to this new land of "golden ores" may take the best route and that which will secure the most economy and comfort. Emigrants south and east of St. Louis will of course go by the Missouri river; but emigrants from the Northern and Eastern States will have a choice of roads, and will take that which will best promote their own interests. Many, perhaps most of those who design making up a train, will take one or the other of the great Iowa lines, either that from Davenport or Burlington. Emigrants can furnish themselves with wagons and supplies of every kind necessary for the journey in this city, ship them to Iowa City or Ottumwa by rail, and there purchase their horses, oxen or mules as they deem cheapest and best. These routes possess many advantages which will secure for them a large share of the emigration to the new gold fields. If one or both of these roads were done to the Missouri, they would command nearly, if not quite, all the emigration Westward from the Northern and Eastern States.

The next most Northerly route, we are glad to state will be opened all the way to the Missouri by rail, except a short distance by steamer, before the emigration starts Westward. From Chicago, where supplies should be purchased, the distance thence to Quincy by rail, is 206 miles. From Quincy to Hannibal, Missouri, is 20 miles, by the Mississippi river. On arriving at Quincy, passengers will be taken on board a steamer, where they can refresh themselves, and by the time they can get their meals and be comfortably rested they will arrive at Hannibal. The distance from Hannibal to St. Joseph, on the Missouri, is 206 miles. The railway is now all completed except 38 miles, over which a fine line of stages is running; but it will be all finished on or before the 1st of March, when the time between Chicago and St. Joseph will be reduced to little more than a single day, certainly to not more than a day and a half. It will be seen that at once that this will be a much better route to the Missouri, than by St. Louis and of course competition will make it the cheaper. When the two great Iowa roads—the Mississippi and Missouri from Davenport, and the Burlington and Missouri from Burlington—are completed, they will shorten the distance; but we are glad to be able to point to a new line so soon to be finished to the Missouri, which must command, for the time at least, the emigration to the new gold fields, over that by the Missouri River and St. Louis.

Arrived at St. Joseph the traveller is in a most eligible position for the remainder of his tour. He can take a steamer for Nebraska City, or to Kansas City at the mouth of the Kaw River which reaches almost to the mines. If the gold seeker prefers the southern route, he will follow the broad and excellent mail road from Kansas City to Bent's Fort, 520 miles, passing through Council Grove, and touching the Big Bend of the Arkansas River 361 miles west of Kansas City. The measured distance by this route from the mouth of the Kaw River to Pike's Peak is 624 miles. There is said to be an abundance of wood, water and grass the whole route.

The route on the south side of the Platte is said to offer many and great advantages. It can be taken with equal facility by those who go through Iowa. In the first place, there is but one considerable stream to cross—the Saline—which has at all times a good ford with rocky bottom, offering no obstruction to emigration. The road runs on high dry ground with timber and game along most of the route. There is no danger from the Indians in the Spring by the Government, and the country will be open for settlement. The distance by this route is reported not to exceed 560 miles from Nebraska City to the mines.

Hon. H. J. Graham, Delegate from the new Territory of Laramie, D. C. Oaks and Geo. Pancoast, publish in the Pacific City *Herald* of December 23, 1858, an article strongly recommending emigrants to take the route on the south side of the Platte as they will thereby avoid the crossing of several streams which is effected with difficulty. Among others they mention the Elk Horn Loup Fork, Wood River and the North Platte, all of which are said to be difficult and expensive to cross. We are glad to be able to point out to those who must hurry through by steam and rail, to this new route by the Hannibal and St. Joseph Railway. It seems hardly credible, but it is nevertheless true, that Chicago will be, a few weeks hence, within thirty six hours of the Missouri River at St. Joseph, a city which is reached in from four to five days from St. Louis by the tedious navigation of the Missouri.

It annoys us beyond measure that the Iowa roads are not completed. Had it not been for the financial embarrassments of the country, they would have been completed long ago. Chicago is losing immensely by the embarrassing position in which the circumstances of the times have placed her. A large part of the western emigration will take the central Iowa routes as being the shortest and the cheapest, and those who must hurry through, will go by the Hannibal and St. Joseph Railway. At the rate of twenty-five miles per day west of the Missouri, allowing two days for delays in starting, the mines can be reached after the first of March, in twenty-four days from Chicago. Let our merchants and our railways prepare for this trade, for they can command a large share of it if they will make proper efforts.

A Calm View of the President's Message.

It is sometimes amusing to notice the sarcwardness and unconscious absurdity displayed by the pot in calling the kettle *black*. The Havana *Diario de la Marina* comments on the President's message at some length, and among other things urges the long suffering and forbearance of the Spanish Government, in view of the non-payment of the American claims—a claim founded on the illegal transportation of negro slaves on the high seas. In the next breath, however, the *Diario* speaks of Mr. Buchanan's allusion to the insults offered to the American flag by Spanish authorities, and says, "These supposititious insults are merely the pursuit of filibusters and the chastisement imposed on pirates *conformably to the law of nations*."

The article in the *Diario* concludes in following words:

"It remains to say some words concerning the sale of Cuba, an idea which Mr. Buchanan inherits from the Ostend Conference. The answer of Her Majesty's Government is briefly given. There is not a single Spaniard, who with any regard for either his public or his private character, could espouse in the least to such a proposition, because it is eminently injurious to our national character. To-day, as yesterday, to-morrow, as to-day, Spain could not even listen to propositions for such an object; and this inhabitants of Cuba, whose sentiments are so fervently ignored and denied, now, as yesterday, and so to-morrow, are disposed to sacrifice everything to preserve the flag which covers us, under whose shade we enjoy a solid prosperity, and which promises us a future of honorable happiness, such as we should never find except in the dignified position to which our fathers dedicated all the sacrifices of which they were capable, and which their sons regard as one of the most brilliant ornaments of their national inheritance."

A NEW ORLEANS ARTIST IN DISTRESS.—A correspondent of the *New York Post*, writing from Rome, describes the following case:

There is a melodic here from New Orleans, who has talent, but is in a very poor way, both for purse and health. She has been here the summer to live on (for himself with and child), except what these or few of us have given him. He has the strongest letters of introduction, and have been called on for aid, but few countries less owe all which the poor man has due proof of living by. It is really a hard case for the poor unfortunate.

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COMMERCIAL.

Commercial and Money Matters.

Wednesday, Jan. 6, 1858.

MOSES, EDWARDS, &c., Bankers of all kinds is moving along quietly without any new feature from day to day. The best of money at such times show very little variation. In money there is no change whatever, and rates must be retained, viz: Bank discounts, 10 per cent.; exchange steady at 11¼ @11¾; Street rates nominal at 15@18 per cent per month, with few transactions.

F. G. Adams, Esq., in the last No. of his *Bank Note List* gives the following synopsis of the profits of Banking in Illinois:

Outsiders believe that to start an Illinois Bank with $500,000 circulation, requires three hundred and thirty thousand dollars in money and $500,000 to buy the stocks need as security, and $50,000 for the margin required by the amended Banking Law of Illinois. This is all a mistake. Making Illinois Banks to order, of any required size, is a regular business in Chicago and New York, and it pays both the Agent who starts the Bank and the Speculator who will own it after he has paid the Agent for it. The Agent advances the money to buy the State Stocks in New York, sends them to Springfield, gets the circulation from the Auditor, hires it signed and sent up, and it gets plenty per cent. of the cost of the Stocks. The ten per cent. required by the law of the State, and Brokers' commissions, have to be furnished by the owner of the Bank.

In the figures below no allowance is made for interest on coin at the Bank, for the fact that it is to be kept on hand as actual to keep say there; nor for the expense of redemption in exchange, as the Banking law requires no redemption offices, and as the notes of the Bank in judiciously posted, it costs more to return the notes for coin than the premium on the coin is worth. Of course, the Bank pocket all bills for lost notes, as the sharp practice is to scatter the Bank directly after the ink scrawler has made his annual rounds, and so escape being taxed of all the first year.

Herewith I give costs and profits of an Illinois Bank with $500,000 circulation:

Cost on whole of Stock, if at 85.....$425,000
It pays of 10 per cent. required by Auditor..... 50,000
Cost to use it one year.....$475,000
Interest on 1 year, 10 per cent.....$47,500
Cost of circulation and signing..... 1,500
Salary of President..... 100
Total.....$49,100

Circulation from Auditor.....$500,000
Interest of 10 per cent on it per cent..... 47,500
Outlay on Bank at the end of first year.....$52,500

SECOND YEAR—Credit.
Coupons from Auditor, on $500,000 Bonds at 6 ₱ ct.....$27,500
Salary of President.....$100
Salary of Cashier..... 3,000
Total.....$3,100
Profits Second Year.....$24,400
Outlay 1st year.....$52,500
Profits Second Year..... 24,400
Outlay 2d year.....$28,100

At the end of second year the owner of the Bank has got back his whole outlay and 1,600 in the shape of profits, or 3 per cent. per year on the ten per cent actually invested.....$1,600
Leaving as profit.....$26,500

On a two years' outlay of $31,100. After the second year, which the Bank has repaid all advanced, it will give an income of $15,000 a year, and this without a farthing of capital. As an illustration, one Wall street house now owns in Illinois and Wisconsin a circulation of over $700,000, which gives it a profit of about $40,000 a year.

COMMERCIAL.—The Hog market to-day was very dull. The receipts were very light but buyers are not disposed to operate, and packers are preparing to close up the season's business. Live Hogs sold to-day at a range of $4@4 45—the latter for a lot of choice fat hogs, averaging 180 lbs. Dressed Hogs sold at $5 50@6 25. There was one very heavy lot at the Galena depot—averaging 325 lbs, for which the owner was offered $6 50, but they are held at $7 00.

The Provision market is also dull. Mess Pork is drooping, sales of 200 bbls city packed was made to-day at $16 25. Lard is held firmly at 10 ¾, and some are even asking 11c. There are no buyers, however, above 10¼.

The Grain markets were quiet. Several sales of No. 1 Red were made at a range of 1 07@1 08 in store; No. 1 spring at 81c in store; No. 2 spring at 63c in store; and steamtail at 40c in bags. Corn was scarce, and under an active demand by distillers, advanced 1c. Shelled corn sold to-day at 45c, and 44c on track. There is some inquiry for Oats; but holders are considerably above the views of buyers. Rye is scarce and in demand at 60@65c at depot. Barley 40@45c for No. 2 to No. 1, and for choice two-rowed 75c.

The Flour market is very quiet, and under a scarcity of buyers, the stock is accumulating. Spring Extras are nominal at $3 75@4 50.

STATE OF FLOUR AND GRAIN IN NEW-YORK.

[From the New-York Evening Post.]

The total stock of flour in this market as ascertained by personal canvass of the trade, is 731,561 barrels. Of wheat, 1,211,312 bushels; of corn, 669,690; of rye, 43,500; of oats, 360,200; of barley, 907,416. The stocks of flour at the preceding years compare with the present year as follows:

	1858.	1857.	1856.	1855.
Western & St. Louis, bbls.	575,000	1,000,000	1,000	1,000
Canadian flour, bbls.	97,000	19,000	14,000	2,000
Southern flour, bbls.	59,561	100,000	140,000	100,000
Wheat, bush.	709,000	881,000	990,000	1,212,000
Corn, bush.	669,690	844,000	400	91,000
Rye, bush.				43,500
Oats, bush.				360,200
Barley, bush.				907,416

A larger stock of flour was generally looked for. The accumulation of wheat favors the expects loss of low prices during the winter. The stock of corn is equally large and comes forward freely. Last year grain remained idle in the farmers' barns; this year produce will be unrestrained by commercial embarrassments.

The same paper gives the comparative prices of Flour, Grain and Provisions for a series of years:

FLOUR—*Comparative Prices in New York January 1st.*

Years.	Western.	State.
1858	3 75@4 00	3 80@4 87
1857	6 75@7 00	6 80@6 90
1856	5 15 @5 25	5 25@5 35
1855	4 50 @4 75	4 75@4 85
1854	5 50 @5 75	5 75@6 00
1853	5 50 @5 75	5 75@6 00

GRAIN—*Comparative Prices in New York, January 1st.*

Years.	Red and White	Rye.	Corn.	Oats & Old
1858	1 00@1 07	1 00@1 01	67@70c	40@42c
1857	1 60@1 75	1 10@1 12	80@82c	60@62c
1856	1 40@1 70	1 00@1 02	90@92c	70@72c
1855	1 20@1 40	0 90@0 95	70@72c	50@52c
1854	1 30@1 40	0 75@0 80	60@62c	45@47c

PROVISIONS—*Comparative Prices in New York, January 1st.*

Years.	Mess.	Prime.	Lard.	Hams.
1858	$14 00 @15 50	$12 00@13 00	10½@10¾c	10@11c
1857	17 00 @17 75	13 00@14 00	12½@13c	11@12c
1856	17 00 @17 50	12 50@13 00	12½@13c	11@12c
1855	15 00 @15 50	11 50@12 00	11 @11½c	10@11c
1854	17 50 @17 75	13 00@13 50	11 @11½c	10@11c

HOG AND PROVISION TRADE.

[From the Louisville Journal, 4th.]

As great anxiety exists in regard to the extent of the corn crop and packing, we have made careful inquiries in regard to the matter, and give below the results at which we have arrived.

First. It is evident that the high prices which have prevailed induced farmers to bring very young and inferior hogs to market, thus increasing the *number* packed and diminishing the average weight and quality. It is also very clear that the bulk of hogs have been *put up packed at packing points*, and that this season there is no such thing as "country corn" or "country hams." The reports before the trade of *high* prices were anticipated in the fall, and, notwithstanding the "panic," hogs opened at near $5, falling at the close of packing to less than $4. The result was that a larger number of hogs were cut at home by the farmers than was ever before known, and this was felt throughout the year in the large supply of country lots on sale. This was especially marked in the States west of us. The packers on the Missouri River, for instance, did scarcely anything, all the hogs in that region being cured by the farmers, and coming to market as "country hams." From all these facts, we have come to the following conclusions: That the *number* of hogs packed at packing points this season will about equal that of last season; that the quality will be vastly inferior, the falling off in weight, except in this State, ranging from 9 to 20 per cent, and resulting in a large deficiency in lard and spare pork; and that the supply for this component with last year may be fairly estimated by these figures—

Last year's packing.....	2,100,000
COUNTY corn 5 to 10,000—say.....	10,000
Making a supply of.....	2,110,000
This year it will be.....	1,700,000
Leaving a deficiency of.....	410,000
Leaving a supply of.....	1,700,000

This would make the supply very little in excess of that of the season of 1856-7, and we give below the average prices of mess pork in New York from Jan. '57 to Oct. '57:

January.....	$22 50	June.....	$18 25
February.....	21 62½	July.....	21 50
March.....	21 00	August.....	21 50
April.....	20 00	September.....	21 62½
May.....	19 00	October.....	21 62½

[From the Cincinnati Gazette, 4th.]

The market opened with a good demand for Mess Pork, at $17, which was paid by holders, and about 1,200 bbls sold, chiefly, to fill orders. There was also a good demand for barrel Lard, with sales of 700 bbls at 11c. Prime leg was held at 11@11 12c, with buyers at 11½c. As regards Pork, however, the trade was upset by the statement of the stock in the New York and Brooklyn yards, supposed to be about 30,000 bbls, instead of 100,000 as a large stock, and we heard estimates as high as 50,000, but the figures reported astonished everybody. The following is a comparative statement of the stock of Pork and Lard on the 1st of January:

	Pork.	Lard.
1858.....	12,000	1,000
1857.....	17,000	17,145
1856.....	11,000	1,000
1855.....	4,000	1,000

Of the stock of 1857 on this year, 12,748 is reported old, and the balance new. The stock of all kinds on the 1st of December was about 20,000 bbls. This brings to our attention (1) to an increase in the number of hogs packed in New York city, and (2) to a falling off in the consumptive demand. There is, thus far, a heavy deficit in the shipments of the season to the Atlantic, as long crop from the West to that market. This is also true of other seaboard markets. Boston has received the largest supply of pork, which for spring to the operations of her own customers in the West. The market closed unsettled for pork and lard at inside, but lost was firmly held.

Movement of Breadstuffs—Jan. 4.

	Flour.	Wheat.	Corn.	Oats.	Rye.	Barley.
Receipts.....	12,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
Exports.....	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000

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Provisions—Mess Pork, heavy and holders asking their stocks on the market. Pork dull and heavy. Bacon dull. Lard dull, but firm, and sales of 40 bbls at 9½.

Tallow—Quiet and steady at 9½@9¾.

Whiskey—Sales at 24½@25.

Groceries—Sugars quiet. Teas inactive; Coffees 11@ 11½.

Rice—Quiet; Pearls 5¼@5¾c; Pots 5¾@5¾ 6d.

Linseed Oil—Market 54.

LIVERPOOL, Dec. 22, 1858.

Breadstuffs—Firm. Wheat closed at an advancing tendency.

Provisions—Sugar dull. Coffee buoyant. Tea but little inquiry, prices weak and in some cases lower. Rice firm.

TALLOW—Market 53@54.

Rosin—Market generally unchanged; good American securities quiet. Common 6@7 6d.

New York Market.

BY TELEGRAPH.] NEW YORK, Jan. 6.

ASHES—Firm with moderate demand for the export trade. Sales of 5 000 bbls at 6 50@6 56 for pearl Pots, and 6 50@6 62½ for pearl Pots, and 6 50@6 62½ for pearl Pots, and 6 50@6 62½

COMMERCIAL.

Commercial and Money Matters.

CHICAGO, Tuesday, Jan. 6, 1858.

MONEY, EXCHANGE, &c.—Business of all kinds is moving along quietly without any new feature from day to day. Rates of money at such times show very little variation. In money there is no change whatever, and rates must be retained, viz: Bank discounts, 10 per cent.; exchange steady at 1¾@¾ buying, 1@1¼ selling; Street rates nominal at 1½@2 per cent per month, with few transactions.

F. G. Adams, Esq., in the last No. of his *Bank Note List* gives the following synopsis of the profits of Banking in Illinois:

Outsiders believe that to start an Illinois Bank with $50,000 circulation, requires three hundred and fifty thousand dollars in money—$300,000 to buy the stocks used as security, and $50,000 for the margin required by the amended Banking Law of Illinois. This is not a fair statement. Making Illinois Banks to order, of any required size, is a regular business in Chicago and New York, and is purely such the Agent who starts the Bank, and the Specialists who will own it after he has paid the Agent for it. The Agent advances the money to buy the State Stocks in New York, sends them to Springfield, gets the circulation from the Auditor, hires it signed and set up, and so gets ninety per cent. of the cost of the Stocks. The ten per cent. required by the law of the State, and Brokers' commissions, have to be furnished by the owner of the Bank.

In the figures below no allowance is made for interest on coin at the Bank, from the fact that it is to be supposed the said bank keeps any there; nor for the expense of redemption in exchange, as the Banking law requires no redemption except at the Bank, and at the Bank in Jefferson county—some more to redeem the notes for sale than the premium on the coin is worth. For the first year no charge is made for the Agent's services; after that 1 to 2 per cent. directly after the tax assessor has made his annual rounds, and so keeping taxed of all the first year.

Herewith I give costs and profits of an Illinois Bank with $300,000 circulation:

Cost on Missouri notes, at 95	$15,000
Cost of Bank, Safe, Counter, &c.	2,000
Interest at 8 per cent.	1,200
Cost of Circular and Signing	100
Salary of President	150
Total	$18,150
Circulation from Auditor	$270,000
Interest of $7,500 Bonds at 6 years	27,000
Total	$297,000
Outlay on Bank at the end of the year	$18,150
Salary of President	$150
Profits Second Year	$4,500
Profits First Year	2,700
At the end of second year the owner of the Bank has got back his whole outlay and	7,350
And has interest for him in the name of Auditor	150
Leaving as profit	$7,500

On a two years' outlay of $31,190. After the second year, (at which time the Bank has repaid all advances,) it will give an income of $18,000 a year, and this without a farthing of capital. As an illustration, one Wall street house now owns in Illinois and Wisconsin a circulation of over $700,000, which gives it a profit of about $40,000 a year.

COMMERCIAL.—The hog market to-day was very dull. The receipts were very light; but buyers are nearly all withdrawn, and only packers are preparing to close up the season's business. Live Hogs sold to-day at a range of $4@4 65—the latter for a lot of choice fat hogs, averaging 180 lbs. Dressed Hogs sold at $5 50@$ 6 25. There was one very heavy lot at the Gaines depot—averaging 320 lbs, for which the owner was offered $6 50, but they are held at $7 00.

The Provision market is also dull. Mess Pork is drooping. A sale of 200 bbls city packed was made to-day at $16 25. Lard is held firmly at 10 ¾, and some are even asking 11c. There are no buyers, however, above 10¾c.

The Grain markets were quiet. Several sales of No. 1 Red were made at a range of 1 07@1 08 in store; No. 1 spring at 93c in store; No. 2 spring at 86c in store; and thinpicked at 80c in bags. Corn was scarce, and under an active demand by distillers, advanced 1c. Shelled corn sold at 55@57c, and Ear at 52c on track. There is some inquiry for Oats; but holders are considerably above the views of buyers. Rye is scarce and in demand at 60@65c at depot. Barley 46@65c for No. 2 to No. 3, and for choice two-rowed 75c.

The Flour market is very quiet, and under a scarcity of buyers, the stock is accumulating. Spring Extras are nominal at $3 75@4 50.

STATE OF FLOUR AND GRAIN IN NEW-YORK.

[From the New-York Evening Post.]

The total stock of flour in this market as ascertained by personal canvass of the trade, is 731,541 barrels. Of wheat, 1,211,313 bushels; of corn, 669,690; of rye, 45,500; of oats, 560,900; of barley, 807,416. The stocks of the three preceding years compare with the present year as follows:

	1858.	1857.	1856.	1855.
Western Ch'l flour, bbls.	210,000	192,000	200,000	210,000
Canadian flour, bbls.	27,500	15,000	20,000	25,000
Wheat, bushels	1,211,313	1,000,000	1,200,000	1,500,000
Wheat, bush.	79,756	81,000	90,000	1,212,313
Corn, bush.	669,690	1,000,000	1,200,000	1,500,000
Rye, bush.	45,500	60,000	70,000	44,500
Oats, bush.	560,900	600,000	700,000	800,000
Barley, bush.	807,416	1,000,000	1,200,000	807,416

A larger stock of flour was generally looked for. The accumulation of wheat favors the expectations of low prices during the winter. The stock of corn is equally large and comes forward freely. Last year grain remained idle in the farmers' hands, this year produce moves unrestrained by commercial embarrassments.

The same paper gives the comparative prices of Flour, Grain and Provisions for a series of years:

FLOUR—*Comparative Prices in New York, January 1st.*

Years.	State.	Western.
1853	9.12½@9.62½	9.50@9.87
1854	10.00@10.25	9.75@10.00
1855	6.12 @6.25	5.56@5.75
1856	6.37 @6.50	6.06@6.25
1857	6.50@6.62½	6.62@6.75
1858	4.50 @5.12	4.70@4.90

GRAIN—*Comparative Prices in New York, January 1st.*

Years.	Red and White Wheat.	Mixed Corn.	New & Old Corn.
1853	1.30@1.32	1.00@1.01	97@98
1854	1.06@1.10	1.04@1.05	70@80
1855	1.50@1.52	1.01@1.02	70@80
1856	0.85@1.30	0.62@0.71	60@70
1857	1.70@1.75	1.06@1.07	80@85
1858	1.30@1.40	0.75@0.80	55@57

PORK—*Comparative Prices in New York, January 1st.*

Years.	Mess Pork.	Mess Beef.	Lard.
1853	$14.12½@15.00	$11.00@13.00	10½@10½
1854	15.00@17.87½	10.00@11.00	10½@11
1855	16.12½	11.00@11.12½	10½@10½
1856	14.00@15.12½	10.00@11.00	10½@11
1857	17.75 @17.87½	11.00@11.12½	10½@11
1858	15.75 @16.37½	11 @11.50	10 @10¾

HOG AND PROVISION TRADE.

[From the Louisville Journal, 4th.]

As great anxiety exists in regard to the extent of the hog crop and packing, we have made careful inquiries in regard to the matter, and give below the results at which we have arrived.

First. It is evident that the high prices which have prevailed induced farmers to bring very young and inferior hogs to market, thus increasing the *number* packed and diminishing the average weight and quality. It is also very clear that of hogs fit for market have been *packed at packing points*, and that this season there is no such thing as "country cure" or "country trade." The season for this, very high prices were anticipated in the fall, and, notwithstanding the "panic," hogs opened at over $5, falling as the season advanced to less than $4. The result was that a larger number of hogs were cut at home by the farmers than was ever before known; and this was also brought out the year in the large supply of country bacon. This was especially marked in the States west of the Mississippi and on the Missouri River, for instance, did scarcely anything, all the hogs in that region being cured by the farmers, and coming to market as "country bacon." From all these facts, we have come to the following conclusions: That the *number* of hogs packed at packing points this season will about equal that of last season; that the *quality* will be vastly inferior, the falling off in weight, except in this State, ranging from 20 to 50 per cent., and resulting in a large decrease in lard and pure pork; and that the supply for this compared with last year may be fairly estimated by these figures—

Last year packing	1,250,000
Country cured at home	800,000
Making a supply of	2,050,000
This year's packing	1,000,000
Country cured at home	1,000,000
Leaving a supply of	2,000,000

This would make the supply very little in excess of that of the season of 1856-7, and we give below the average prices of mess pork in New York from Jan. 1st to Oct. 1st:

January	$16 00	June	$15 50
February	16 00	July	15 37½
March	16 00	August	15 00
April	15 87½	September	15 00
May	15 75	October	15 00

[From the Cincinnati Gazette, 6th.]

The market opened with a good demand for Mess Pork, at 817, which was met by holders, and about 1,200 bbls sold, chiefly to fill orders. There was also a good demand for Lard, with sales of 700 bbls at 11c. Prime bag was held at 11@10 10c, with buyers at 10½c. As regards Pork, however, the trade is upset by the discovery of the stock in the New York and Brooklyn yards, announced on Thursday. There had been intimation of a large stock, and we have estimates in bbls as 50,000, but the figures surprise somewhat everybody. The following is a comparative account of the stocks of Pork and Lard on the 1st of January:

	1858.	1857.
Mess	50,000	19,000
Prime	10,000	12,000
Lard	2,000	1,000

Of the stock of pork this year, 12,743 is reported old, and the balance new. The stock of all kinds on the 1st of December was about 20,000 bbls. This latter item is attributable to (1) to an increase in the number of hogs packed in New York city; and (2) to a falling off in the consumption of Pork in that city. In fact, a heavy deficit in the shipments of the present of the new hog crop from the West to that market. This is also true of other seaboard markets. Notice has recently been given of the close, high and low for the operations of the two months in the West. The market closed unsettled for pork and dull and heavy for lard.

Movement of Provisions—Jan. 4,

	Packed.	Shipped.	On hand.
Cincinnati	1,000	1,000	20,000
Chicago	1,000	1,000	20,000
Louisville	1,000	1,000	20,000
Total	3,000	3,000	60,000

Of the above packed this week, 1,000 bbls are reported old, and the balance new. The stock of all kinds on the 1st of December was about 20,000 bbls. This latter item is attributable to (1) to an increase in the number of hogs packed in New York city; and (2) to a falling off in the consumption of Pork in that city. In fact, a heavy deficit in the shipments of the present of the new hog crop from the West to that market. This is also true of other seaboard markets. Notice has recently been given of the close, high and low for the operations of the two months in the West. The market closed unsettled for pork and dull and heavy, but not really lower.

Movement of Provisions—Jan. 4,

	Packed.	Shipped.	On hand.
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Chicago	1,000	1,000	20,000
Louisville	1,000	1,000	20,000
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